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1. A major security measure has been completed at the Training Area [redacted] consisting of the installation of a new outdoor lighting system, two watchtowers with communications to the Base switchboard, and the addition of a diesel-driven generator to assure power supply in the event of a main power failure.

2. Services in the field of reading improvement have been extended to the Office of Operations Contact Office [redacted] 25X1A6a Training materials and equipment have been sent to the station and instructional guidance will be provided on the basis of weekly reports to be submitted by individual trainees.

3. In addition to the plans described in the summary report of 21 September 1954, Item 2, for processing Junior Officer Training prospects, an attempt is being made to arrange for their testing in the field by professional psychologists acting as consultants to the Office of Training. Since the experience factor indicates that approximately one half of the candidates are eliminated as a result of the tests, such an arrangement would reduce the number of candidates to be brought to Washington for the pre-employment processing and thereby effect a considerable saving in the total cost of selection.

4. Two lectures were presented by members of the Office of Training during the reporting period to the military establishment. Mr. [redacted] 25X1A9a lectured to senior officers at Fort Meade on the subject "Intelligence and Its Relationship to Policy," and Mr. [redacted] 25X1A9a lectured to students of the National War College on "The Soviet Philosophy of War."

5. A member of the Germanic language training staff, Mr. [redacted] 25X1A9a [redacted] 25X1A9a has been honored by the offer of a post-doctoral Fulbright Teaching Fellowship in Pakistan or Thailand. Mr. [redacted] 25X1A9a has declined the offer, preferring to remain in his present assignment.

6. Further conferences were held with the Chancellor, [redacted] 25X1A5a1 25X1A5a1 referred to in the summary report of 21 September 1954, Item 4. It has been determined that from the technical and professional standpoints, the Office of Training

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can undertake to assist in selecting students. However, participation in such a program is still dependent upon assignment of priorities by the DD/P and availability of qualified psychologist personnel.

7. Requests for enrollment in the Basic Supervision Course, to be presented for the first time commencing 4 October, indicate that this course will be heavily oversubscribed for the next ten months. In view of existing vacancies of instructor personnel in this field, the Office of Training cannot increase its capability to meet demands for instruction in this field.

8. The Chief of the Instructional Services Staff departed with the Chief, War Plans Division, FPC, as a member of the team from Headquarters to inspect and recommend the selection of wartime training sites in [redacted] 25X1A6a

9. The prototype of a tape recorder, modified for specific use in language training, has been received by this Office and is being evaluated in the language laboratory of the Office of Training. If this equipment meets specific requirements, it will replace that presently used for language training.

10. Arrangements have been made with [redacted] to initiate a special intensive class in Vietnamese for the Far East Division personnel beginning 11 October and extending over a period of ten months. 25X1A5a1

11. The Director of Training has arranged for amendment of the Basic Management Course to provide for instruction in the principles and practices of effective use of military personnel detailed to the Agency.

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